

# Preliminary Assessment Report

## Project 3014957, 2249 NE 46TH ST

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**Assessment Completed:** 3/18/2013

**Project Description:** Zoning Coaching- Potential project site that falls within 2 parking overlays and need confirmation of which schedule item applies. (Ravenna urban Village + frequent transite and UW campus) Site is classified as 'abandoned landfill' & need to better understand the implications & process associated with this designation. Establish use and occupy 5-story multifamily structure.

**Primary Applicant:** [Jay Janette](#)

This report lists the results of a preliminary assessment of your project requirements by various city departments. It's based on the project characteristics described on your site plan and preliminary application form. If your project required a pre-application site visit (PASV), the results of that site visit are also included. The goal of this report is to help you create a complete submittal package and reduce the need for corrections once your application has been submitted.

### Next Steps

1. Review the requirements in this report and contact the staff members listed below with questions.
2. If a street improvement plan is required, develop and submit it to the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT). **The Department of Planning and Development (DPD) will not accept your permit application until your street improvement plan is approved as 60% complete by SDOT. See [SDOT Client Assistance Memo 2213](#) for guidance about the 60% complete approval process.**
3. Schedule an appointment for permit application intake with DPD. **Please bring a copy of this report to your intake appointment.**

### Questions About This Report

If you have questions about the information in this report, contact the appropriate city staff member for each section.

#### DPD Drainage Requirements

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#### DPD Land Use Requirements

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#### DPD Preapplication Site Visit Requirements

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#### Seattle Department of Transportation Requirements

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#### Seattle Public Utilities Requirements

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#### Water Availability

## Other Resources

- General questions about the permit process: Contact the DPD Applicant Services Center (ASC) at 206-684-8850.
- Overview of the permit application process: [5 Steps for a Successful DPD Application Submittal](#).
- User-friendly guides to city permitting processes: [DPD](#) and [SDOT](#) Client Assistance Memos.
- [Detailed zoning information](#).
- [DPD's Checklists & Standards](#), designed to help you make sure your permit application is complete and ready for review.

## Requirements

### **DPD Drainage Requirements**

The following requirements are based on the current stormwater and side sewer codes.

#### **Existing Public Drainage Infrastructure**

Combined sewer main location: NE 46th St

Combined sewer main size: 16-inch diameter

#### **Drainage**

The drainage point of discharge (SMC 22.805.020) is located at: Combined sewer. New connection to combined sewer main

#### **Flow Control Compliance**

All new, replaced, and disturbed topsoil shall be amended with organic matter per rules promulgated by the Director prior to completion of the project to improve onsite management of drainage water flow and water quality per SMC 22.805.020.E. A completed [Construction Stormwater Control and Soil Amendment Standard Plan](#) is required.

Submit a [Standard Drainage Control Plan for Small Projects](#) including the [GSI Requirement Calculator](#). For projects with 5,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced impervious surface, a comprehensive drainage control plan and construction stormwater control plan shall be prepared by a licensed engineer.

#### **Water Quality**

No requirements

#### **Wastewater**

The wastewater point of discharge (SMC 21.16.070.B) is located at New connection to combined sewer main.

All homeowners and building owners in King County's service area whose home or building was newly connected to the King County sewer system on or after Feb. 1, 1990 must pay a [King County Capacity Charge](#).

#### **Permanent and Temporary Dewatering**

Per SMC 21.16.110, the proposed project requires a separate side sewer permit for temporary dewatering based on the following: excavation greater than 12 feet deep.

The footing drain (if part of building plan) point of discharge (DPD DR 4-2011) is located at the following: Combined system.

This project is required to obtain a side sewer permit for temporary dewatering (SSPTD) from DPD prior to issuance of the building permit ([DR 13-2010](#)). Since discharge is to the combined sewer, you must first obtain a discharge authorization letter from King County.

King County Industrial Waste Program  
130 Nickerson St. Suite 200  
Seattle, WA 98109-1658  
206-263-3000

**Projects which propose to permanently discharge groundwater shall comply with Minimum Requirements for Discharges to a Capacity-constrained System, SMC Section 22.805.050.A.6 and SMC Section 22.805.060.A.6. See [DPD Director's Rule 13-2010](#) for more information.**

## **DPD Land Use Code Requirements**

### **Street Requirements**

Based on the scope of the proposed project, the following street improvements are required per Chapter 23.53 of the Seattle Municipal Code. Please review Right-of-Way Improvements Manual for design criteria (<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/rowmanual/manual/>). Show required street improvements on your "enhanced site plan" at DPD permit application intake. If an SDOT Street Improvement Plan (SIP) is required, please list SDOT project number and SDOT contact name on the enhanced site plan. Street Improvement Plans must be accepted by SDOT prior to DPD permit application intake.

#### **NE 46TH ST**

Street trees shall be provided in the planting strip according to Seattle Department of Transportation Tree Planting Standards. Contact SDOT Urban Forestry (for residential projects: (206) 684-TREE; for all others: (206) 684-5693), to determine species of tree and standards of planting. Please add a note to the site plan showing size, location and species of tree to be planted.

<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/treeplanting.htm>.

Any planting proposed within the ROW must be reviewed and approved by DPD and SDOT.

A vehicular turnaround/cul-de-sac is required when street or alley dead-ends at the property to be developed.

A 1 foot setback is required. Please label on Site Plan.

#### **NE 45TH ST**

Curbs will be required to be installed in the portion of right-of-way abutting this lot.

A concrete sidewalk will be required to be installed in the portion of right-of-way abutting this lot.

Drainage may be required to be installed in the portion of right-of-way abutting this lot. Please contact SDOT for more information.

Grading to future ROW grade. See <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/gradesheetintro.htm>

New structures must be designed to accommodate right-of-way improvements. To ensure that driveways and pedestrian access points are designed to match these future street improvements, please use the Building Grade Calculator, which can be found at <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/gradesheetintro.htm>

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### **Land Use**

Based on the project scope and/or location of environmentally critical areas on the development site, SEPA may be required. See CAM 208 for more details.

Design Review is required; see CAM 238 for more details. Departures from development standards should be identified as early as possible in the application process.

Preliminary screening of your project has been completed and it appears that your proposal is located in an environmentally critical area (ECA) which may require an ECA review and SEPA. For additional information about ECAs and SEPA, visit the DPD website (<http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Codes/>).

### **Notes to Applicant**

You will want to apply for a street improvement exception for NE 45th street frontage, the code requires improvements but the current roadway design precludes development. It is may understanding that an unmapped steep slope may be present, only a survey will determine if it is present.

### **Other Requirements**

A presubmittal conference is required before to submitting an application. Details for preparing and submitting a presubmittal request form can be found at our Web site

([http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Publications/Forms/Building\\_Permits/default.asp](http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Publications/Forms/Building_Permits/default.asp)).

## **Pre-Application Site Visit (PASV) Requirements**

PASV report requirements may be subject to additions, changes, or modifications by the department. The purpose of the report is to alert the applicant that there may be unusual or complex site conditions that trigger requirements from the department regarding this project. **The applicant is responsible for providing all required documents at the intake appointment.** If you have questions about this report or the PASV process, please contact the DPD Site Development Team at (206) 684-8860.

**Note:** Any project application associated with the development site can utilize the results from this PASV if the application is accepted by DPD within 24 months of the above inspection date. After 24 months, the applicant must apply for another PASV. No extensions will be granted.

### **ECA Mapping Unit and Type**

This project site appears to include the following ECAs and/or buffers:

Steep slope

Landfill

### **Earth Disturbance**

If excavation has the potential to encroach on adjacent property in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide documentation of consent from the adjacent property owner. Show area of proposed encroachment on the submitted drawings and detailed cross-sections.

In addition, provide detailed cross-sections for: bottoms of cuts to property lines

If temporary cuts greater than 1h:1v will be required in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide a geotechnical engineer's verification that soil conditions allow cuts to stand unsupported. Include detailed cross sections.

Please show all existing and proposed retaining walls/rockeries and the exposed height.

If shoring will be required, please provide submittals by geotechnical and structural engineers and show the proposed system on the submitted drawings. Include detailed cross sections.

### **Existing ROW Conditions**

#### **NE 46TH ST**

Street conditions:

Concrete paving

Curb conditions:

Curb adjacent to site

Concrete

Approximate curb height: 4 inch inches

A storm inlet is located <350 ft from the site and prior to crossing a public right of way. most of the ROW abutment is a driveway

It appears that drainage from that discharge point will remain in the gutter line all the way to the nearest inlet structure, but this assessment is preliminary and it is the responsibility of the applicant to meet all relevant SW code requirements.

#### **NE 45TH ST**

### **Potential Impacts to Seattle Parks Property**

Projects drains to or through parks or park boulevards.

### **Tree Protection**

Trees greater than 6 inches in diameter as measured 4.5 ft above ground are present on the site but not shown on the site plan. Show the dripline of

1) **all** trees on the site,

2) adjacent trees that encroach on the site that are greater than 6 inches in diameter as measured 4.5 ft above ground, and

3) **all** trees located in the adjacent ROW.

Include common and scientific names for all trees shown. For more information, see [Director's Rule 16-2008](#) and [CAM 242](#).

No trees on site

### **Construction Stormwater Control**

All projects with earth disturbance, regardless of size, require temporary and permanent stormwater control in accordance with the Construction Stormwater Control (CSC) Technical Requirements Manual ([DR 16-2009, Volume 2](#)).

#### **Show the following on the CSC/Post Construction Soil Amendment Plan:**

Place compost socks, compost berms, filter fabric fencing, straw bales, straw wattles, or other approved perimeter control BMPs to eliminate construction stormwater runoff.

Show the location of a stabilized construction access to the site; show methods to eliminate uncontrolled conveyance of mud and dirt into the right of way (ROW).

Cover bare soil with compost blankets, straw, mulch, matting, or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

Cover stockpiles and bare slopes with compost blankets, tarps, matting or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

A First Ground Disturbance inspection is required before any ground disturbance related to this permit, including demolition, tree cutting, clearing, grubbing, and grading. After your permit is issued, schedule an inspection by calling (206) 684-8900 or [online](http://web1.seattle.gov/DPD/InspectionRequest/default.aspx) at <http://web1.seattle.gov/DPD/InspectionRequest/default.aspx>.

### **Inspectors Notes**

The NE 45th St viaduct is at the south property line - it is elevated, and takes no runoff from this site. Site is mis-mapped, LIDAR and topographic lines show that the southwest portion of the site contains a Street Slope Critical Area

### **Standard Submittal Requirements for Projects in an ECA**

Submit a geotechnical report with the permit intake submittal package. Geotechnical report must be signed and stamped by a geotechnical engineer licensed in the State of Washington per [SMC 22.170.070](#), [SMC 25.09](#), and [Directors Rule \(DR\) 18-2011](#).

Provide a topographic survey with 2-foot contours on and within 25-feet of the property, stamped by a licensed land surveyor (see [25.09.330A](#))

Delineate the clearing limits on the site plan

Delineate the steep slope critical area on a site plan based on the survey (per SMC 25.09.020 A3b(5)). Provide area calculations for the steep slope delineation.

Show the steep slope buffer. Generally, the buffer is 15-feet from the top and/or toe of the slope

Construction activity area appears to be within the steep slope critical area and/or its associated buffer. A steep slope variance may be required (see SMC 25.09.180E.1)

Site is mapped as being within 1,000 feet of a methane producing landfill. Report required by a licensed engineer to provide requirements to mitigate methane accumulation in enclosed spaces

## **Seattle City Light Requirements**

### **Street/Alley Requirements**

#### **NE 46TH ST**

Working Clearance: State law requires construction workers, their tools, machinery, equipment, and materials to maintain a 10-foot clearance from power lines. Review WAC 296-24-960 and OSHA 1910.333(c)(3)(i). Transmission lines require greater clearance. To work near power lines, notify SCL well in advance to de-energize and ground the lines, or relocate the lines temporarily. This SCL work is done at the project's expense. There are overhead high voltage lines along the north side of NE 46th St.

Underground electrical facilities/conductors require separation from other utilities. Review SCL Construction Guideline U2-10/NDK-50, Electrical Conduit and Facilities in the Public Rights of Way (<http://www.seattle.gov/Light/engstd/>). Before digging, contact the Utilities Underground Location Center ("one-call") at (800) 424-5555 two business days in advance to locate and mark underground utilities, per state law (RCW 19.122). There is an underground primary electrical service for the adjacent property east of the site.

Based on our assessment of the size of your project, you may need transformers on your private property for power service to your building. This can be done with vaults inside the building, below-grade vaults, or above-grade pads exterior to the building. Include these facilities for your project power needs in your building plans. SCL has access, clearance, size and location requirements for vaults. Some transformers require long lead times to obtain. Contact SCL well in advance to provide electrical service size and voltage details.

### **Conservation**

Built Smart Programs - SCL offers developers of 5+ unit multifamily buildings incentives for installation of energy efficiency measures. From insulation and windows to lighting and appliances, take advantage of new technologies and construct a more efficient building with our help. For more information: contact Beth Rocha at (206)684-5945 / [beth.rocha@seattle.gov](mailto:beth.rocha@seattle.gov) or Meghan Pinch at (206)684-3901 / [meghan.pinch@seattle.gov](mailto:meghan.pinch@seattle.gov)

### **Notes to Applicant**

For new service, an Application for Electrical Service must be submitted to Seattle City Light. Please contact the Electrical Service Representative for your area several months before new service is required to determine your electric service design, service location and what kind of service is available at the building site. The Electrical Service Representative should also be contacted to coordinate electrical details for temporary power during construction. Your Electrical Service Representative is: Paul Bubnick, 206-684-0749, [paul.bubnick@seattle.gov](mailto:paul.bubnick@seattle.gov). Be advised that it is the applicant's responsibility to seek guidance from SCL.

Failure to contact SCL at your earliest convenience could severely impact your project's scope, schedule and budget. This responsibility rests solely with the applicant.

## **SDOT Requirements**

The City of Seattle's Right-of-Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and SDOT's Street & Sidewalk Pavement Opening and Restoration (PORR) Director's Rule 2004-02 may be accessed from SDOT's Street Use website at: [http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse\\_docs.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_docs.htm). Whenever possible, specific reference notation for these two design documents is noted next to the design characteristics below. Be advised that these specific section and chapter references are provided as preliminary guidance only and are not comprehensive in scope.

### **SDOT Permitting Information**

Initial Review Deposit: \$2,500

SDOT Plan Requirements: Engineered plan

SDOT Permit Requirements: Group 3: Street Use Major (Type 45). A 60% complete street improvement plan (SIP) must be approved by SDOT prior to your DPD construction intake appointment. SIP Design Guidance is required for 60% complete SIP approval; apply early. Please visit SDOT's Street Use website at: [http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse\\_sip.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_sip.htm) to obtain SDOT Client Assistance Memos (CAMs) and application materials to assist in developing your street improvement plan (SIP).

### **Street Improvement Requirements**

#### **NE 46TH ST**

Tree planting. See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and City of Seattle Standard Plans 030, 100 and 424. Contact SDOT Urban Forestry for residential projects at (206) 684-TREE; for all others at (206) 684-5693 for approval of species and placement.

Roadway Widening: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and the City's Standard Plans and Specifications.

New/replacement sidewalk: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) as well as the City of Seattle Standard Plan 420, 421 and 422.

New/Replacement Curb: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) and the City of Seattle Standard Plan 410.

New/replacement driveway: If there is a concrete curb in front of the project, the Street Use curb cut permit is issued by DPD. If there is not a concrete curb in front of the project, a Group 2 Street Use permit must be issued by Street Use. Refer to Standard Plan 430 for driveway curb cut standards.

New/replacement turnaround/cul-de-sac: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM).

A new/replacement guardrail or vehicle barrier may be required: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM).

Street drainage collection may be required when street improvements are installed. See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) section 4.17.

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All improvements on private property must accommodate the right of way elevation at the property line using the standard cross-section in the ROWIM. Right of way grading may be required to provide vehicular and pedestrian access that meets the standard cross-section.

New/replacement sidewalk: See Seattle Right of Way Improvements Manual (ROWIM) as well as the City of Seattle Standard Plan 420, 421 and 422.

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## **SPU Requirements**

### **Flow Control Compliance**

All new, replaced, and disturbed topsoil shall be amended with organic matter per rules promulgated by the Director prior to completion of the project to improve onsite management of drainage water flow and water quality per SMC 22.805.020.E. For projects with 5,000 square feet or more of new and replaced impervious surface, a comprehensive drainage control plan shall be prepared by a licensed engineer.



Roadway projects with 7,000 square feet or more of land disturbing activity or 2,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced impervious surface must implement green stormwater infrastructure to infiltrate, disperse, and retain drainage water onsite to the maximum extent feasible without causing flooding, landslide, or erosion impacts per SMC 22.805.020.F. Flow control standards must be first met by utilizing green stormwater infrastructure to the maximum extent feasible. Additional flow control measures shall be installed if the flow control standard cannot be met solely using green stormwater infrastructure. Refer to DR GSI to MEF and DR Vol.3.

### **Stormwater Treatment**

No requirements

### **Water Availability**

Your water availability assessment is in progress. If the assessment results in water system improvements, you will be required to follow SDOT's Street Improvement Permit Process (see [CAM 2211](#) and [CAM 2213](#)).

## **Other Requirements**

Owners of residential property occupied by a tenant who will be displaced by housing demolition, substantial rehabilitation, change of use, or removal of use restrictions may need to obtain a Tenant Relocation License. Refer to DPD CAM 123, Seattle's Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance, for further information and instructions or call (206) 684-7979.

If your project involves additions or modification to or demolition of an existing building that contains four or more dwelling units or 4,000 square feet or more of non-residential area, and the building is a designated historic landmark or is 50 years old and meets the criteria set forth in SMC 25.12 for landmark designation, SEPA is required. Please contact the Department of Neighborhoods at (206) 684-0228 or [www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation](http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation) to determine if your building is a designated landmark or if a referral is necessary to determine if the building meets the criteria in SMC 25.12. Refer to CAM 208 for information regarding the application requirements for a SEPA review and CAM 3000 for information regarding landmarks and historic preservation.

If the scope of your proposed project changes before your DPD intake appointment or SDOT street improvement plan application, the requirements in this report may change. If there are municipal code and ordinance changes before our DPD intake appointment, the project must meet the new code requirements. Additional street improvement requirements may be triggered if a permit application for a development project on adjacent property is also undergoing review.

Please be aware that all persons or companies working within the City limits, including all contractors, subcontractors, permit expeditors and other service providers are required to possess a valid City of Seattle business license. This license is required in addition to any other licenses required by the State of Washington, such as a contractors' license or state business license. For more information about City of Seattle business licenses, please contact inspector Michale Crooks at 206-684-8871, [Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov](mailto:Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov), or visit the [Licensing and Tax Administration Division website](#).